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**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 350**

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**Chairperson:** Bill Avery  
**Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Date of Hearing:** February 6, 2009

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 350 proposes to amend the law regarding industrial areas to clarify and tighten eligibility for designing real estate as an industrial area, to expand the procedure to review an industrial area designation, and to provide for the termination of an industrial area designation after a term of years. The purpose of LB 350 is to give municipalities more control over the designation and continuation of industrial areas.

Several cities have grown adjacent to or have surrounded industrial areas that were designated years ago. Because these areas cannot be annexed, they can be an impediment to orderly municipal growth and planning. In recent years, other state and municipal economic development incentive programs have been authorized. These incentive programs have termination dates and therefore it is appropriate to clarify eligibility requirements and provide termination dates for industrial areas.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Scott Lautenbaugh**